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A NEW V.C. LEARNT OF AWARD AT FRONT



Major George Randolph Pearkes, M.C., who has been awarded the V.C. He has been wounded six times, but only wears four gold stripes.—(Canadian War Records.)



Captain Christopher Patrick John O'Kelly, M.C., who is to receive the V.C., photographed in the front line on the day that he learnt of the award. He is seen being congratulated by two of his battalion guides.—(Canadian War Records.)

A RECORD.



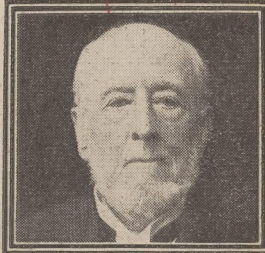
The Rev. B. P. Clayton, M.C., who is the third chaplain from St. Mary's, Portsea, to receive this award for gallantry. He was formerly curate at this church.—(Russell.)

U.S. AIRMAN KILLED.



Lieutenant Benjamin S. Walcott, son of Dr. Walcott, the first member of the United States Flying Corps to be killed in action in the west. Others have fallen when fighting with the French.

BUILDER OF BRIDGES.



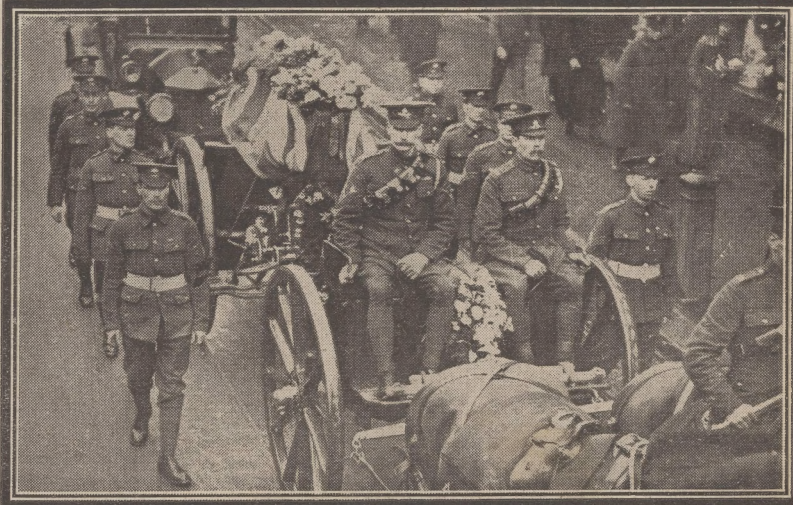
Sir Alexander Meadows Rendel, the eminent engineer, who has died. Like Sir J. Wolfe-Barry, who died the day previously, he was a great dock and bridge builder.—(Russell.)

DISTINGUISHED SOLDIERS AMONG THE MOURNERS AT THE FUNERAL OF SIR BEAUCHAMP DUFF



Sir Francis Lloyd (A), Sir Ian Hamilton (B).

The funeral of Sir Beauchamp Duff, formerly Commander-in-Chief in India, took place at Kensal Green Cemetery yesterday. The King was represented by General Sir Ian



The late general's hat, sword and decorations were placed on the coffin.

Hamilton, while a number of officers who had served under the late general were present. The Scots Guards provided the guard of honour and firing party.

LONDON ON RATIONS ON FEB. 25

Rest of the Country to Follow Shortly.

MEAT CARDS FOR ALL.

Butter, Margarine and Tea by Ticket—National Food Ration.

Compulsory food rationing will soon be an accomplished fact.

Lord Rhonda, in an important speech at the Mansion House yesterday, said it was inevitable and urgent.

The Food Controller indicated that a rationing scheme for London and the home counties, embracing meat, margarine and tea, is to come into force on February 25.

POINTS IN THE SPEECH.

The scheme of rationing which it was proposed to put into force in the London and surrounding area, said the Food Controller, involved a quarter of the population of Great Britain.

In the next two months the position of meat would be very difficult and acute. After that he hoped it would improve.

He saw no evidence that farmers were holding back cattle to any extent.

Danger of Queues.—Queues were a standing menace to the country. They lent themselves to

DATES TO REMEMBER.

Jan. 28.—Delivery of application forms for rations to the Food Controller.

Feb. 1.—Distribution of forms to the public to be completed.

Feb. 9.—Last day for Food Committees to receive the filled-in forms from the public.

Feb. 13.—Last day for public to receive their rationing cards.

Feb. 18.—Last day for lodging counterfoils with the retailers.

Feb. 25.—Scheme in force.

unscrupulous people, both within and without the queues.

The sooner the means of getting rid of them were adopted the better.

Don't Expect Too Much.—The public must not expect that everything is going to be perfect immediately this scheme is put into operation.

At first it may be found that the public cannot get their rations at the shop where they are registered.

If so they must exercise patience, realising the difficulties of the Ministry of Food. They may be sure that no one in any area is getting more than their rations.

He was told that Labour was prepared to go short if everybody shared alike. That must be an essential feature of any scheme.

Success of Sugar Scheme.—The sugar scheme had been very successful; better than any scheme put into operation in Germany.

A National Larder.—The distribution clearing house which he was setting up would show how much meat, bacon, margarine and butter ought to go into each district.

An extra allowance of food would be made for those districts in which specially heavy work is carried on.

A START ON FEBRUARY 25.

Describing the details of his scheme, Lord Rhonda said it would start to be made with it on February 25.

Reports that reached him indicated that practically the whole country would shortly be covered by the schemes framed under his order of December 22.

These schemes would be developed into a comprehensive national scheme.

The Meat Rations.—Details of the meat scheme would be given to the food committees to start with there would be a level ration for adults and half a ration for children under six.

Scotland and Wales to Follow.—A Birmingham rationing scheme covering a million people had been in operation since January 1 and was working fairly well.

The Ministry of Food were trying to inaugurate schemes in both Scotland and South Wales.

Groundless Suspicion.—It was a groundless suspicion, to a large extent, to suppose that he better-to-do people are not getting their share.

TO STOP PROFITEERING.

Replying to a vote of thanks, Lord Rhonda said: "There are greedy people in every class and there are such people in this country to-day—people who should be ashamed of themselves.

"There is a suspicion," the Food Controller added, "that the Ministry of Food are holding up unnecessarily large stocks of food in store. There is no ground whatever for that suspicion.

"There are stores—there are supplies of meat in this country—but they have to be provided to make perfectly certain that the Army will get their full share. We all admit that they must come first.

"We could not be so foolish at a time of acute crisis like this, when the eyes of the country are upon us—we should be stupidly foolish if we kept back food which could be disposed of."

Later in the day Lord Rhonda received a deputation of engineers and industrial workers from Manchester and Salford who were introduced to him by the Lord Mayor of Manchester (Sir A. Porter). The deputation required certain assurances on the food problem.

Lord Rhonda told the deputation that: "There was an actual shortage in the principal articles of food.

There was no famine, and no likelihood of a famine, but there was a definite shortness of meat.

Bacon was short and was likely to be short. His aim was every district its fair share of food; every individual his quota.

The Food Controller added that he had received authority from the Cabinet to introduce a Bill dealing with profiteering.

Cocoa Next?—The Food Controller has issued an order requiring all returns of cocoa in bond on January 22, 1918.

No Orders by Phone.—At Weybridge the delivery of meat and meat orders by telephone and post are prohibited.

United States Flour for Allies.—With the object of creating a large exportable surplus of flour for the Allies, the Food Administration is now considering a scheme, says a Reuter Washington message, for effecting a reduction in the sale of flour. The food officials believe that the United States is in a position to furnish the Allies with 90,000,000 bushels of wheat made into flour.

Port of London Rumour.—A deputation of London M.P.s of all parties is waiting on the Shipping Controller to-day with reference to a report that the Port of London is to be closed to merchant shipping.

The matter was considered at a meeting of all London M.P.s and representatives of riverside constituencies, and feeling was very strong against a measure which it was felt would be nothing less than disastrous to the whole metropolitan population.

AVIATION AFTER THE WAR

Part of Naval and Military Services for Civil Purposes.

The activity which is going on behind the scenes to grapple with questions which will arise after the war will be gathered from the fact that no fewer than eighty-seven commissions and committees are at work on eighty-seven different subjects.

A Civil Aerial Transport Committee is considering the steps which should be taken to develop and regulate after the war aviation for civil and commercial purposes "from a domestic, Imperial and international standpoint."

COLONEL'S GALLANTRY.

Discharge Through Severe Wounds Follows Winning Back of Rank.

Lieutenant-Colonel Edward Parker England, who has been reinstated in that rank in consequence of his devotion to duty and gallantry in the field while in the ranks of the Devonshire Regiment, after being removed from the Army on December 12, 1914, enlisted in the A.S.C. as a private at Grove Park, London, served in East Africa, and was then transferred for service in France with the Devons.

Last October he was severely wounded in the chest, in consequence of which he has been recommended for discharge.

"DYING TO GET BACK."

Young Battle Hero's Device to Get to the Trenches Again.

An extraordinary story was told to the Southampton magistrates yesterday, when John Morley, a young collier, was charged with unlawfully wearing military uniform.

He begged not to be sent to prison, because he said he was dying to get into the thick of the fighting again and be back in the trenches.

He told the Court that on joining a Lancashire unit under age he was discharged through illness, but obtaining a military uniform he man-

NO MEAT TO-DAY.

To-day is the first of the two meatless days a week fixed for the London district under the Public Meals Order.

The other day each week is Tuesday. Between 5 a.m. and 10.30 p.m. no meat, poultry or game may be served or consumed in hotels, boarding-houses or public eating-places which do not serve meals exceeding 1s. 2d. in price, exclusive of beverages, are excluded from the restriction.

aged to go to France and joined an Australian battalion. He fought in several big fights, including the Cambrai battle, and was twice wounded before being discharged.

He was remanded for inquiries.

DEMobilISATION PLAN.

Dr. Addison, Minister of Reconstruction, yesterday said that one piece of work which was completed, so far as it was essential to act, was the scheme for Army demobilisation.

The general idea was that in the first place they would know in every unit what men had their places kept open for them.

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"YEAR OF REAL LIFE."

Court Story of Wife Who Said She Wanted "Good Time."

"TALK TO WOMAN FRIEND."

A remarkable story was told in the Divorce Court yesterday, before Mr. Justice Coleridge, at the hearing of a petition for restitution of conjugal rights by Mrs. Zillah Davis.

Her husband, Mr. Henry Lewis Davis, of Clifton-hill, St. John's Wood, said he was justified in refusing to live with petitioner owing to her conduct. He also set up a deed of separation between him and his wife, which the latter said was obtained by duress.

The case for Mrs. Davis was gone into first. The husband's financial position about 1911 improved and from that time his wife frequently said she wanted a "good time."

She developed a desire for the company of men, which culminated in her evincing a dislike to her husband's society.

It now appeared, said respondent, that while they were staying at the Shirley Park Hotel, they were playing golf during the day, Mrs. Davis associated with two Canadians and an American.

One of the Canadians one night invited husband and wife to have a glass of champagne in his room. Because he refused his wife created a scene. Later, in October, 1915, she confessed to a woman friend that the American had kissed her, and that she did not care for her husband and her children and would give them all up for one year of "real life."

A deed of separation was suggested on the condition that Mrs. Davis should not visit Murray's and should live with a lady companion. The terms were agreed to.

When she returned she asked her husband when he saw her if he would object to her entering a convent. She added that she had seen a priest and told everything to him, and that the American at Shirley who tried to kiss her.

Later she said it was not the whole truth, although no actual misconduct took place.

Respondent insisted upon the separation deed being entered into, and she voluntarily signed. The hearing was adjourned.

ANTI-BOLSHEVİK "PLOT."

Arrest of a Suspected "Battalion of Death" at Petrograd.

PETROGRAD, Wednesday (received yesterday).—A battalion of death which was ready to serve the Right Social Revolutionary members of the Constituent Assembly was arrested at its barracks.

All the organisers of the plot were arrested to-day. Arms, a large quantity of bombs, and compromising documents were found. The Russian Government has been issued declaring that the Embassies and Missions of the

MOONLIGHT TABLE.

The moon is increasing in brightness to-night. It will be full on Sunday. The following is the rising and setting of the moon during the next three days are:—

	Rises.	Sets.	Bright.
Jan. 25-26.....	3.10 p.m.	7.10 a.m.	19 hrs.
Jan. 26-27.....	4.20 p.m.	7.34 a.m.	14 hrs.
Jan. 27-28.....	5.30 p.m.	7.54 a.m.	13 hrs.

Allies are supporting the Ukrainian Rada by all means against the power of the Council of Commissaries of the People.

British Cruiser.—An Exchange Petrograd message says that England's reply to the People's Commissariat of the British Government, which in the case of Vladivostok is considered acceptable, but the Commissaries may demand the removal of foreign warships from the harbour.

"EVE IN STAINED GLASS."

Court Story of Cubist Window Showing Garden of Eden.

An action over a Cubist window for a church came before Mr. Justice Darling yesterday, when Mr. Duveen, well known in the art world, claimed £84, balance alleged to be due for services rendered to Mr. J. James Elliman, who in the case alleged that plaintiff had not performed his part of the agreement, or had been negligent. Mr. Elliman also counter-claimed for the return of money paid and for damages.

Mr. Compton, K.C. (for plaintiff) said that Mr. Elliman alleged that he had been charged £441 more for the making of the window than he ought fairly to have been charged.

The subject is said to be "Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden," said counsel.

The Judge: If it is, the Garden of Eden was most distinctly a flower garden.

Mr. Lewis Thomas, K.C., defendant's counsel, said it was not a matter of money. Mr. Elliman believed a secret commission of £130 had been paid, and he was determined to have the matter proved.

A £2 BONUS FOR BRIDES.

Criticising the amendment to be moved by Viscount Knutsford to the National Insurance Bill in the Lords next week against the grant of £2 to insured women who give official notice of their marriage, Sir H. Kingsley Wood, at a meeting of the Joint Committee of the National Insurance Committee, said it would mean that 200,000 women a year would lose benefit.

"CANADA IN KHAKI." No. 2.

From the great rush of orders received for "Canada in Khaki," No. 2, it seems probable that the entire edition will be exhausted before the date of publication (Monday next). Readers are therefore earnestly advised to place their orders with their newsgents at once.

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ALLIED LABOUR OFFER TO FOE?

Mr. Henderson appealed to the conference not to pass the resolution calling upon Labour members to withdraw from the Coalition Government, because it would break the Government and delay securing peace at the earliest moment. M. Renardel, a French delegate, who spoke in French, said that arrangements had been made for Labour and Socialist parties in all countries to hold a war-aims conference on February 17.

The Belgian Labour Party would be ready in the course of a few days to give their adhesion to the British Labour Party memorandum. The whole of the working classes of the Allied countries would then be able to invite the working class organisations of belligerent countries to take part in formulating a programme for peace, by laying the defeat of imperialism all the world over.

NEWS ITEMS.

Seventy-eight Men Entombed.—As the result of a mine explosion at Stellarton (Nova Scotia) seventy-eight men are entombed.

Hope for Kut Prisoners.—Lord Fortescue, at a meeting yesterday, said there was reasonable hope that some arrangement for the exchange of Kut prisoners would be come to.

Cooks, Please Note.—Special conferences for domestic cooks will be held at the economy section of the Ministry of Food, Grosvenor House, Upper Grosvenor-street, to-day and Monday.

General's Sister Killed.—Her clothes catching in the flywheel of a gas-producing engine at Bromley Park, Betchworth, on Wednesday night, Miss Mary L. Feilding, a sister of General Feilding, was whirled round and round and killed.

LINGFIELD WINNERS.

12.30.—Athenry (100-8, J. Kelly), 1; Rough and Ready (2-1), 2; Prince Francis (100-15), 3; 2. 3.15.—Midnight Sun (7-2, C. Hawkins), 1; Lawrence Lasz (5-2), 2; Full of Buck (7-1), 3; 11.15.—Alders—Captain Drayton (5-1, Beardon), 1; 1.15.—Alders—Captain Drayton (7-2), 3; 4.40.—Water Bed (10-1, G. Young), 1; 5.15.—Barnet (10-1, J. Kelly), best Carrig Park 2. 3. 3.15.—Fife-Fire (10-1, Smith), 1; Court Bledny (10-1), 2; Option (5-2), 3; 12.40.

MORE RACE MEETINGS.

Yesterday's meeting at Cambridge, which sanction for meetings under J.H. Rules had been given for Manchester on April 1 (Easter Monday) and April 6 (Saturday).

L. Ruddick (Leeds) and Eddie Stevens (Petersmouth) box twice round at the J.H. Meeting on the consequence of the falling through of the Smith v. Goddard match.

GERMANS HIDING NEWS OF AUSTRIAN STRIKES

Mr. Bonar Law Tells M.P.s Army Chiefs Have Confidence of Government.

GERMAN DESTROYERS SUNK IN NORTH SEA.

Anti-Bolshevik Plot in Petrograd—Leninists Disarm a Suspect "Battalion of Death."

Austrian Strikes.—The peace strikes are said not to be over yet. A German Socialist in the Reichstag asserted his adhesion to the action of the Austrian proletariat. The Germans have been suppressing the news about the strikes. *Vorwaerts* has appeared again, but now the *Tageblatt* is under a ban.

Petrograd Trouble.—According to a Petrograd message a Battalion of Death which was ready to help the Anti-Bolsheviks has been arrested.

MORE QUESTIONS ABOUT 2 GERMAN TORPEDO-BOAT DISTINGUISHED GENERALS.

Mr. Bonar Law Says They Retain Government's Full Confidence.

In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Bonar Law, in answer to Mr. George Lambert and Admiral Sir H. Meux, stated that so long as generals or officers held high position under the Government it must be assumed that they retained the confidence of the Government, and the distinguished general referred to in the question certainly formed no exception to that rule.

As to Press comment, he deprecated, in the strongest manner, the discussions which have proceeded in the Press for some time on questions of strategy and the qualifications of individual officers.

Both of these questions were unsuited for public discussion and were very embarrassing to the Government in the discharge of their anxious and difficult duties.

Once these discussions began it was obvious they could never be confined to one point of view. Criticisms had not been confined to the form indicated in the questions, but there had, on the contrary, been as much criticism of politicians for interfering with soldiers as of soldiers for the way they had carried out their duties.

The responsibility in these matters must rest with the Government for the time being, as they alone were in possession of the facts. They could not disclose them in answer to criticism without injury to the public interest, and he appealed to the Press on both sides to refrain from criticisms of this kind, which were not merely unfair to the public service but detrimental to the national interest.

Sir Douglas Haig and Sir William Robertson possessed the full confidence of the Government.

NO ONE "BEHIND THE ATTACK."

Mr. G. Faber asked if any member of the present Government was behind these Press attacks.

Mr. Bonar Law: So far as I am aware no member of the Government is behind these attacks.

Mr. Lambert asked why no member of the War Cabinet was on the front bench to defend Sir D. Haig last night.

Mr. Bonar Law replied that he had stated publicly that, in his opinion, discussion of that kind was undesirable.

Mr. Pringle asked if it was not desirable for a member of the War Cabinet to make a statement to reassure the public, particularly in view of the Press campaign which was believed to be stimulated from No 10, Downing-street.

GENERAL NIVELLE.

Mr. Bonar Law reiterated that he considered such discussions undesirable, adding, "that is all I have got to say on the matter."

Mr. Kennedy Jones asked whether in January of last year Sir D. Haig, by order of the War Cabinet, was made subordinate to General Nivelle.

Mr. Bonar Law: I do not admit the accuracy of that statement. I deprecate in the strongest possible way the idea that it is necessary to give continuously testimonials as to the character and services of distinguished generals in the field.

SECRET WIRELESS FOUND

PARIS, Thursday.—The *Echo de Paris* learns that Captain Maugin Boquet, during a search of the apartments of Captain Paix-Seailles, discovered a wireless telegraphic apparatus, the existence of which had been reported to the authorities.—*Reuter*.

[Captain Paix-Seailles is charged with communicating documents concerning the Salonika Army to Almeraya, the late editor of the *Bonnet Rouge*, who, in turn, is supposed to have sent them to Germany.]

GERMANS SUPPRESS NEWS OF VIENNA STRIKES.

Reichstag Socialists' Warning to the German Authorities.

AMSTERDAM, Thursday.—Speaking in the Reichstag Central Committee, the Socialist deputy Ebert protested strongly against the suspension of the *Vorwaerts*, which, he declared, constituted a challenge to the Socialist Party.

Herr Ebert declared that, though all the rest of the world knew of the events occurring in Austria, nobody in Germany was allowed to be told anything.

He asserted his sympathy with and adhesion to the action of the Austro-Hungarian proletariat. "They may rest assured," he said, "that if necessary the German working classes will exert all their power to ensure that the efforts to bring about a speedy peace on the basis of understanding and right shall not be thwarted."

Herr Schiedemann said the *Vorwaerts* had been suspended for having published the speech delivered by the Austrian Socialist deputy, Victor Adler.

"DON'T PLAY WITH FIRE."

"Don't forget," continued Herr Schiedemann, "that the situation with us is very like that in Austria before the beginning of these strikes. Don't play with fire."

Major Gran, Chief of the War Press Office, stated that the *Vorwaerts* had not only published an article dealing with Austrian events, notwithstanding the fact that the Press had been forbidden to mention these matters, but had even published other articles asserting German solidarity with the Austrian proletariat.—*Central News*.

The *Vorwaerts* appeared again on Wednesday, says the Exchange, as the result of the energetic action of the Socialists in the Reichstag debate.

AMSTERDAM, Wednesday (received yesterday).—The Commander-in-Chief of the Brandenburg Marches has suspended the *Berliner Tageblatt* for three days.—*Reuter*.

200,000 STILL ON STRIKE.

COPENHAGEN, Wednesday.—From Vienna it is reported that about 200,000 men in the capital have not resumed work.—*Exchange*.

AMSTERDAM, Thursday.—Further details of the scenes in the Austrian Reichsrath now to hand confirm the stormy nature of Tuesday's session. Dr. von Seidler was again and again howled down and openly insulted, one Czech deputy calling him "General Hoffmann the Second."—*Central News*.

CZERNIN RETURNS.

AMSTERDAM, Wednesday.—A telegram from Vienna to the *Vossische Zeitung* states that Count Czernin arrived yesterday from Brest-Litovsk.

The Minister, the telegram adds, will make an important statement to the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Austrian Delegations to-morrow, in reply, it is reported, to the speeches of Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson.—*Reuter*.

BOLSHEVIKS ARREST A "BATTALION OF DEATH."

Organisers of Alleged Plot Discovered with Bombs and Arms.

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One of those who took part in the murder of M.M. Shingareff and Kokoshkin has been arrested. The identity of all the murderers is known and their arrest is expected at any moment.—*Reuter*.

An official statement is issued here declaring that the Embassies and Missions of the Allies are supporting the Ukrainian Rada by all means against the power of the Council of Commissioners of the People.

At Kieff, it is alleged, conspiracy and intrigue were not carried on without the collaboration of the diplomatic and military agents of the Allies.

"DUPED CONSPIRATORS."

The Rada at Kieff profited by the services of the Entente States to begin at the first opportunity pourparlers with Austria and Germany.

"The Allied conspirators," say the Bolsheviks, "were duped and betrayed after having themselves taught the Rada the art of deceit and treason."—*Reuter*.

TURKS' HANGARS BOMBED.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

The Secretary of the War Office reports:—On January 21 a successful bombing raid was carried out on a Turkish aerodrome at Kipri. One of our machines was brought down by the enemy anti-aircraft guns.

On the same day a hostile aeroplane was forced to land within our lines near Falluja and was destroyed.

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Amid a scene of great excitement the resolution condemning the action of Mr. Barnes and his colleagues was submitted to the meeting and declared carried by an overwhelming majority.

It was Mr. Priestley (Manchester and Salford) who moved the resolution.

"The members of the party who voted against the amendment aided and abetted the profits," declared Mr. Smith (Bost and Shoe Operatives), in seconding the motion.

A delegate asked if it was not a fact that the Labour M.P.s who supported the amendment for the 30s. minimum did so in order to wreck the Bill.

Mr. W. C. Anderson, M.P., emphatically denied the insinuation. It was an official amendment agreed to by the Labour Party, and was not put forward in order to pit one section against the other.

Labour members who did not vote for the amendment were those who had their hands tied to the Government.

Mr. Will Thorne, M.P., raised quite a furore. He said he voted for the 30s. a week minimum, and therefore he was not "in the swim."

The time had arrived when they ought to have a clear understanding as to their position in the House of Commons. There were those on the other side who were not playing the game by a long chalk.

"RUB IT IN!"

Certain members came to the party meetings, accepted their decisions, and in about five minutes they were in collusion with somebody else. (Applause and cries of "Rub it in!")

The chairman interrupted, and called upon the member for West Ham to keep to the terms of the resolution.

Mr. Thorne, however, ignored Mr. Purdy's intervention, and proceeded: "It is all very well for Henderson to trounce somebody else; but why shouldn't he be trounced the same as others? (Applause and interruption.) I have always voted for the party, but I defy those—(pointing to the platform)—to say the same."

Mr. Anderson: I repudiate the charge Thorne has made against me.

Mr. Thorne: Oh, I am not talking about you. I am talking about the collusion that takes place in the House of Commons between members of the Labour Party and others. (Applause, cries for Henderson, and uproar.)

MR. HENDERSON'S VOW.

Mr. Stephen Walsh said he was not in this act—(laughter)—but the fact was that if the 30s. minimum had been pressed the Bill would have been dropped.

Under the circumstances, it was better to take the 25s. a week than lose the Bill, because the Government could not have resisted the views of the large number of members who were against a higher minimum.

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100 MINERS ENTOMBED.

NEW YORK, Thursday.—A telegram from Sialarton (Nova Scotia) says a hundred men have been entombed through an explosion in a coal mine near the town. Grave fears are entertained for their safety.—*Central News*.

IRISH CONVENTION.

In the Commons yesterday Mr. Bonar Law, replying to Mr. Byrne, said he could make no statement on the Irish Convention.

PUNT TO FETCH THE SPROUTS.



Many miles of meadow land are flooded in the Thames Valley, and this allotment holder had to procure a punt to secure his vegetables.



The lockkeeper at Weybridge carrying his daughter from the boat to his home.

WHAT SOME OF THE HUNS ARE REDUCED TO.



German prisoners being brought in by the French. Some of them are reduced to wearing caps made out of sandbags.

BUSY WAR WORKERS



The Hon. Mrs. Craven, widow of the Hon. Charles Eric Craven, who is working for war charities. Her husband was in the Scots Guards.—(Hugh Cecil.)



Mrs. E. H. Gibson is the hon. general manager, Central Depot, Surgical Branch, of Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, Cavendish-square, W.

MINISTER AND AMBASSADOR.



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A LESSON FOR



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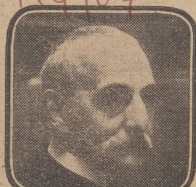


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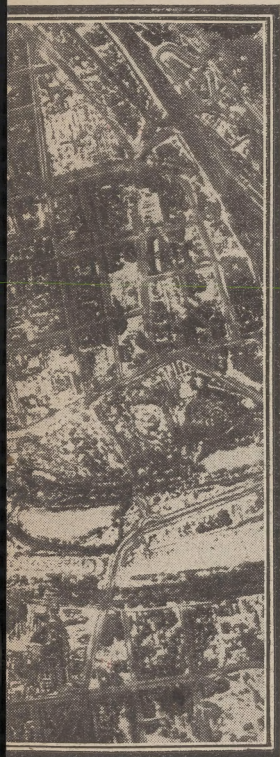
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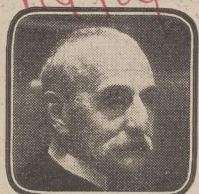


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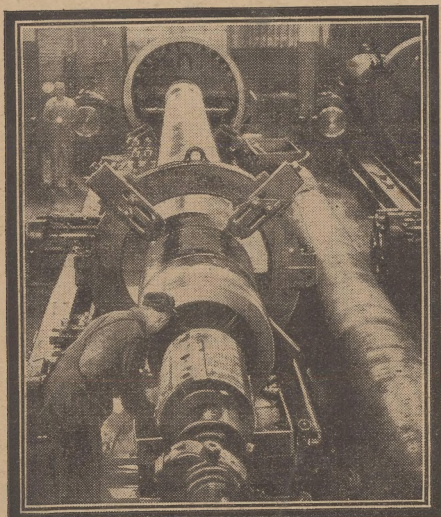
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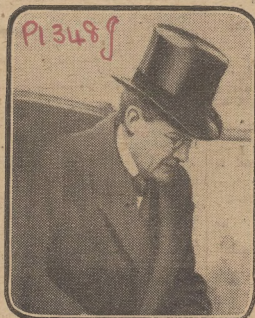
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